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1. REFTELS REPORTED ON THE CANDIDATES FOR THE LOWER HOUSE FROM PLEIKU, WHERE THREE SEATS ARE AT STAKE, TWO VIETNAMESE AND ONE SOUTH VIETNAMESE MONTAGNARD.

2. THE WINNERS:

A. VO VAN BA 47, 21,657 VOTES. ARVL LT COL., UNTIL LAST SPRING PROVINCE CHIEF IN PLEIKU. BUDDHIST. BE WAS WELL LIKED IN PLEIKU WHERE HE DID DECENT JOB AS PROVINCE

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CHIEF. BA CAMPAIGNED FOR REFORM OF ARVN AND OF GOVERNMENT; HE HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT CRITICAL OF THIEU AND KY. BA WAS BORN IN THE DELTA IN MY THO AND IS THOUGH TO HAVE HAD CONNECTIONS WITH GEN NGUYEN HUU CO WITH WHOM HE SERVED AS STAFF OFFICER.

B. PHAM NGOC NGUYEN, 42, 11,047 VOTES. BORN IN THUA THIEN, NGOC IS A CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY AND LAW SCHOOL GRADUATE (HUF) HE HAS BEEN A TEACHER AND ALSO CHIEF OF REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE IN PLEIKU. IN THIS CAPACITY AMERICAN ADVISORS HAVE NOT BEEN IMPRESSED WITH HIS PERFORMANCE. NGUYEN IS AHCIARMAN OF PLEIKU COMMITTEE OF CATHOLIC GREATER SOLIDARITY FORCES. HE WAS LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE OF NGUYEN VAN CAO'S VICTORIOUS UPPER HOUSE SLATE.

C. WINNING THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE MONTAGNARD SEAT IS NAY BLIM, 39, WITH 35,819 VOTES. BLIM IS A MEMBER OF THE JARAI TRIBE, HAS SERVED IN VARIOUS CIVIL SERVICE POSTS; HE HAS HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION. BLIM WAS PLEIKU DEPUTY IN CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY, WHERE HE MADE LITTLE IMPRESSION.
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